

United States Department of the Interior
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National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in National Register Bulletin, *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form*. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions.

1. Name of Property

Historic name: Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin

Other names/site number: 42SM604

Name of related multiple property listing:

Tie Cutting Industry of the North Slope of the Uinta Mountains, Utah (1867-1940s)

(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing)

2. Location

Street & number: _____

City or town: Robertson State: Wyoming County: Uinta

Not For Publication: ☐ Vicinity: ☒

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended,

I hereby certify that this nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60.

In my opinion, the property X meets does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant at the following level(s) of significance:

 X national X statewide X local

Applicable National Register Criteria:

 X A B X C X D

Signature of certifying official/Title:

Date

Utah Division of State History/Office of Historic Preservation

State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria.

Signature of commenting official:

Date

Title :

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4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that this property is:

- ☐ entered in the National Register
☐ determined eligible for the National Register
☐ determined not eligible for the National Register
☐ removed from the National Register
☐ other (explain:) _____

Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

5. Classification

Ownership of Property

(Check as many boxes as apply.)

- Private: ☐
Public – Local ☐
Public – State ☐
Public – Federal ☒

Category of Property

(Check only **one** box.)

- Building(s) ☐
District ☐
Site ☒
Structure ☐
Object ☐

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Number of Resources within Property

(Do not include previously listed resources in the count)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
<u>1</u>	<u> </u>	buildings
<u> </u>	<u> </u>	sites
<u>1</u>	<u> </u>	structures
<u>5</u>	<u> </u>	objects
<u>7</u>	<u> </u>	Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions

(Enter categories from instructions.)

DOMESTIC/single dwelling

Current Functions

(Enter categories from instructions.)

VACANT/NOT IN USE

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7. Description

Architectural Classification

(Enter categories from instructions.)

OTHER

Materials: (enter categories from instructions.)

Principal exterior materials of the property: Foundation = WOOD//Log

Roof = WOOD//Weatherboard

Walls = WOOD//Log

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current physical appearance and condition of the property. Describe contributing and noncontributing resources if applicable. Begin with a **summary paragraph** that briefly describes the general characteristics of the property, such as its location, type, style, method of construction, setting, size, and significant features. Indicate whether the property has historic integrity.)

Summary Paragraph

Site consists of a single-pen historic cabin with enclosed porch, two vertical stacks of cut timber, a horizontal stack of timber, a possible privy depression, another depression of unknown function, and a historic road segment constructed approximately in the mid-1920s. Site is located on the North Slope of the Uinta Mountains, a mile west of the Smith's Fork of the Green River, in a densely forested and rolling landscape. Site is surrounded by dense lodgepole pine forests, with meadows containing both active and inactive beaver ponds. Access to the site is only by foot, via cross-country hike of approximately ½ mile from the main Smith's Fork Forest Service road. Contributing elements of site are identified by their Feature Number, F-01 through F-06, and their associations are illustrated in the accompanying sketch map. Main feature of site is a horizontal log cabin comprised of two rooms (F-01), with a total measurement of the entire cabin at 23' long (north/south) by 11' 6" wide (east/west). It appears that the cabin possessed a porch with no walls during initial construction, but within months or years the occupants covered the porch with vertical set half-logs to create an enclosed porch and storage space.

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Narrative Description

Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin site consists of one building, a standing southeast facing cabin (F-01), a structure consisting of a road bed (F-07), and five objects consisting of three stacks of lumber and timber (F-02, F-03, and F-06), and two depressions (F-04, F-05). Site retains significant integrity, and is the most intact and well-preserved example of an early 1920s constructed cabin related to the Tie Cutting Industry of the North Slope of the Uintas. Cabin retains significant integrity owing largely to the continued existence of at least a full half of the roof structure. Abandonment of this cabin likely occurred in the 1940s when the tie cutting industry switched towards use of gasoline-powered sawmills and trucks versus hand-cutting of ties. More details on these features are provided on the continuation sheet, but a summary is as follows:

Setting

Site is located on a small finger ridge extending east/west from a north/south trending river terrace, approximately 1 mile west of the Smith's Fork River on the North Slope of the Uinta Mountains, and approximately 15 miles south of the town of Robertson, Wyoming. Cabin overlooks a large complex of active and inactive beaver ponds to the south, and a small seasonally filled pond to the north that likely provided culinary water for the cabin occupants. Site is surrounded by a mature stand of lodgepole pine, with aspen clustered along the open meadows and beaver ponds.

Building

Cabin is in remarkably well-preserved condition, with the only structural collapse evidenced by one half of the roof. The interior floor of the cabin has been slightly deteriorated by the elements on the western half, through exposure from the missing roof portion. Artifacts and building style suggest this cabin was first constructed during the late 1920s but more probably during the 1930s.

Structure

The historic road-bed (F-07) located west of the cabin connects the site to another site several hundred feet to the southwest of this recording. Contributing elements at this site add to the overall conveyance of significance for the main cabin's association with the tie cutting industry, and add to the integrity elements of association, setting and feeling. While the main cabin is significant for its association with the tie cutting industry and its architectural style, these six additional features provide support for the elements of integrity. In addition, the two depressions will likely yield significant archaeological data to answer significant research questions.

Objects

The five contributing features located on-site include two large vertical stacks of timber and logs located just outside the cabin to the east (F-02) and west (F-03) likely consolidated for camp purposes. A third horizontal stack of timber (F-06) located to the northwest of the cabin could be abandoned product that never reached market. There are two depressions noted, the first is a possible privy (F-04) located northeast of the cabin with some milled structural elements, while the second depression (F-05) of unknown function is located west of the cabin.

Please see continuation sheet with attached site form for detailed description:

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8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- ☒ A. Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- ☐ B. Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- ☒ C. Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- ☒ D. Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

- ☐ A. Owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes
- ☐ B. Removed from its original location
- ☐ C. A birthplace or grave
- ☐ D. A cemetery
- ☐ E. A reconstructed building, object, or structure
- ☐ F. A commemorative property
- ☐ G. Less than 50 years old or achieving significance within the past 50 years

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Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions.)

ARCHITECTURE

ARCHAEOLOGY/Historic—non-aboriginal

INDUSTRY

Period of Significance

1921-1949

Significant Dates

N/A

Significant Person

(Complete only if Criterion B is marked above.)

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

Euro-American

Architect/Builder

Unknown

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Statement of Significance Summary Paragraph (Provide a summary paragraph that includes level of significance, applicable criteria, justification for the period of significance, and any applicable criteria considerations.)

The Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin in Summit County, Utah was constructed ca. 1921, and is significant under Criteria A, C, and D under the context of the Tie Cutting Industry of the North Slope of the Uinta Mountains. Site contains the most intact architecture of any site currently inventoried under the above-referenced context, and relates to the second historical period of the Tie Cutting industry of the North Slope (Merritt 2013:Section E, 7-10), specifically the 1920s-1930s, with abandonment in the 1940s. Site is surrounded by mid and high-cut lodgepole pine stumps, remnants of strip roads and several other tie cutting sites that further instill association with this site with the Multiple Property Submission theme. Cabin was used as a residential occupation for likely from one to three tie cutters and at least one pet canine, and fits within the "Domestic" property type as defined in Merritt (2013:Section F, 12). As such, the level of integrity associated with the cabin architecturally, and the lack of modern disturbance, suggests that this might be one of the most significant historic resources within the Multiple Property boundary dating to this specific time period. Thus, the site is associated clearly with the production of railroad cross-ties in the Uinta Mountains and are significant events as noted in Merritt (2013) under Criteria A, C and D. The site possesses significant architectural integrity for Criteria C, and due to the lack of modern disturbance and vandalism there is a high potential for the presence of significant subsurface materials under Criteria D.

Narrative Statement of Significance (Provide at least **one** paragraph for each area of significance.)

Site retains significant integrity of all seven aspects to convey significance under Criteria A, C and D. While the cabin is the focus of this nomination, the additional six features are contributing elements as together they help to solidify the integrity aspects of association, feeling, and setting. Piled woody debris either for camp purposes (cooking, heating, etc.) and abandoned final products (ties or cordwood), help to situate the structure within the tie cutting industry by conveying the normal detritus that existed around these structures during their period of occupation. Visitors to the site can easily feel what life was like for these tie cutters during the early 20th century.

The site is directly associated with the locally, regionally, and nationally significant industry of railroad cross-tie production in the Uinta Mountains. Loggers utilized the abundant lodgepole pine stands in the Uinta Mountains to supply the first American transcontinental railroad with the much-needed cross ties, up to 3300 per mile of track. From 1867 to the 1940s, loggers, often using nothing more than an axe and crosscut saw, cut millions of railroad ties in the North Slope and hauled or floated them down the Bear River, Black's Fork, and Smith's Fork Rivers into Wyoming for use in the railroads.

See Continuation Sheet(s):

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9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography (Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form.)

Bomberger, Bruce D.

2004 The Preservation and Repair of Historic Log Buildings. In *The Preservation of Historic Architecture: The U.S. Government's Official Guidelines for Preserving Historic Homes*, pp. 285-300. Department of the Interior. Globe Pequot Press: New York.

Merritt, Christopher W.

2013 Tie Cutting Industry of the North Slope of the Uinta Mountains, Utah (1867-1940s). Multiple Property Documentation Form, Washington, D.C.

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- ☐ preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
- ☐ previously listed in the National Register
- ☐ previously determined eligible by the National Register
- ☐ designated a National Historic Landmark
- ☐ recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- ☐ recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____
- ☐ recorded by Historic American Landscape Survey # _____

Primary location of additional data:

- ☐ State Historic Preservation Office
- ☐ Other State agency
- ☒ Federal agency
- ☐ Local government
- ☐ University
- ☐ Other
- Name of repository: Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest

Historic Resources Survey Number (if assigned): _____

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property 1.038 acres

Use either the UTM system or latitude/longitude coordinates

Latitude/Longitude Coordinates

Datum if other than WGS84: _____

(enter coordinates to 6 decimal places)

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| 1. Latitude: | Longitude: |
| 2. Latitude: | Longitude: |
| 3. Latitude: | Longitude: |
| 4. Latitude: | Longitude: |

Or

UTM References

Datum (indicated on USGS map):

☐ NAD 1927 or ☒ NAD 1983

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|-------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| 1. Zone: 12 | Easting: 542779 | Northing: 4536238 |
| 2. Zone: | Easting: | Northing: |
| 3. Zone: | Easting: | Northing: |
| 4. Zone: | Easting : | Northing: |

Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property.)

NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 20, T. 3N, R. 13E, Salt Lake Meridian
Bridger Lake 7.5' USGS Quadrangle (1984)

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Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected.)

Boundaries include the spatial extent of features and artifacts that are associated with the main cabin of this site. It is sufficiently far enough away from nearby sites to warrant a separate archaeological site number according to Utah guidelines.

11. Form Prepared By

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Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

- **Maps:** A **USGS map** or equivalent (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.
- **Sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources. Key all photographs to this map.
- **Additional items:** (Check with the SHPO, TPO, or FPO for any additional items.)

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Photographs

Submit clear and descriptive photographs. The size of each image must be 1600x1200 pixels (minimum), 3000x2000 preferred, at 300 ppi (pixels per inch) or larger. Key all photographs to the sketch map. Each photograph must be numbered and that number must correspond to the photograph number on the photo log. For simplicity, the name of the photographer, photo date, etc. may be listed once on the photograph log and doesn't need to be labeled on every photograph.

Photo Log

Name of Property: Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin

City or Vicinity: Robertson (WY)

County: Summit

State: UT

Photographer: Garrett Burningham

Date Photographed: September 27, 2012

Description of Photograph(s) and number, include description of view indicating direction of camera:

SEE CONTINUATION SHEETS

Paperwork Reduction Act Statement: This information is being collected for applications to the National Register of Historic Places to nominate properties for listing or determine eligibility for listing, to list properties, and to amend existing listings. Response to this request is required to obtain a benefit in accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended (16 U.S.C.460 et seq.).

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Feature 1: Entirety of cabin Measures 23' long by 11'6" wide, and 7'2" at maximum height. Cabin is divided into two main rooms, and enclosed porch Room A, and the main living area Room B.

Room A measures 7'6" by 11'6", and is constructed from vertically set half-round rough split logs, with four vertically-set structural full-round logs sunken into the ground. There is a small porch overhang extending to the south from the porch, providing shelter for the exterior doorway (See Photo 19). The porch overhang was constructed from milled lumber for the roof portion, and peeled sticks for the buttress and roof supports. The interior of the porch appears to have lacked any flooring, and was insulated with cardboard tacked to the interior of the smoothed portion of the half-round logs. Porch interior included several shelving units created from a mixture of milled lumber and modified sticks and timber. There are two shelves on the east interior wall, one on the northwest wall (See Photo 20), and another on the south wall. Porch has been secured to the main cabin structure through the five roof truss beams. Porch Truss beams are in full-round except for where they connect to the main structure's roof beams. At this juncture the logs have been split in half and secured to a corresponding modification to the cabin's roof beams through use of large, heavy gauge wire nails. Roof of porch is still intact and was created by rough-milled lumber nailed to the supporting truss. A single exterior doorway exists on the south elevation of the porch, and measures 2' 6" wide and 5' 4" tall, and is constructed with rough-milled lumber vertical slats supported by horizontal milled lumber. A hand-made turn lock mechanism is the door's only closure (See Photo 18). More interestingly, there is a small 8" square dog door located in the southeast corner of the door (see Photo 23), suggesting that the occupant of the cabin owned a pet dog. The wood around the dog door is worn smooth, suggested that it is was either smoothed by the human for the dog's comfort, or smoothed through constant use by the pet canine.

Room B measures 15'6" by 11'6", and is constructed with horizontal lodgepole logs measuring 7" thick, held together through use of square-notching. Main cabin is a single end-gable style construction. East and west cabin walls are comprised of seven courses of peeled logs, while the gables contain eight courses. Exterior of cabin is chinked with a mixture of local mud and sticks (see Photo 21). Interior of cabin walls have been faced with an axe, creating a relatively smooth interior wall and is chinked with small flattened strips of wood nailed into the gaps between logs. A metal flat file fragment was used near the west wall window to hold a strip of chinking into place. There is a single entrance door to the cabin located in the south elevation (See Photo 22), forming the north wall of the porch (Room A). Doorway is 3' wide; with the door itself measuring 2' 6" wide, and made from vertical 6" to 7" milled lumber planks. Gaps between the door boards have been sealed with strips of corrugated cardboard nailed into place. Similar to the exterior door, the interior door has a small 8" square dog door located in the southeast corner. Frame for doorway was built from milled lumber. Interior of the main cabin possessed milled lumber flooring, supported by log joists (See Photo 25). Most of the wooden floorboards have deteriorated or been disturbed, but the subflooring logs are still in place suggesting that there might be intact subsurface archaeological deposits. Room B has two windows (both measuring 2' wide by 2' 2" tall) located on the west and east walls, equidistant from the north and south walls of the main cabin. Window frames were made from milled 2" thick lumber that varied in width from 2" to 6". There is no indication if the windows would have possessed glass panes, or if they were simply open or contained metal screens. There is a milled lumber shutter located near the western window. Hand-made shelving units have been installed in the southeast corner (See Photo 26), northeast corner, and on flanking the western window (See Photo 27). Shelves are made from milled lumber, with the supporting brackets smoothed using sandpaper or a rounding plane. Roof is supported by five length-wise log beams with a central peak. The eastern half of the roof is still mostly intact and indicates that the structure was roofed with rough-milled lumber nailed to the supporting truss. Nearly the entirety of the western half of the structure's roofing has collapsed into the interior of Room B. At some point a modern visitor to the cabin placed thick pasting sheeting on the roof for rain protection, likely during hunting season. It is unclear where a stove would have been included on the cabin's interior, though the lack of a roof chimney on the intact eastern half of the roof suggests that the stove was on the western half of the cabin. There are roughly a dozen nails extending from the cabin's southwest interior wall, which might indicate places for pots and pans to hang, which then could infer that the stove was located in this corner. Finally, a number of peg holes exist in the cabin's northeast corner, with some pegs still extending out from the wall (See Photo 28). This might indicate a location of furniture, additional shelving, or in the opinion of the recorders a location for bed bunks for the cabin's occupants.

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Contributing landscape and constructed features identified at the site include three stacks of logs and poles (Features 2, 3, and 6) two depressions (Features 4 and 5) and a short segment of a historic roadbed (Feature 7).

Feature 2: Stacked wood measures approximately 8' wide, by 5' long, and 10' tall, and is a vertically stacked assemblage of poles and cut logs. These vertical poles are resting on two horizontal support sticks nailed to a living tree. Three other collapsed poles have fallen to the ground and appear to have been bundled with bailing wire. The function of this feature is currently speculative, but likely is either for temporary windbreak, camp fuel, or another unknown use.

Feature 3: Stacked wood measures approximately 15' wide by 18' long, with a maximum estimated height of 13', and is comprised of axe-cut, saw-cut, and naturally occurring logs and poles stacked in both horizontal and vertical style. Some of the oldest logs, oriented horizontally, show signs of being cut by beaver and were collected. It is more likely that this pile of logs and poles were consolidated for construction of the cabin and porch features, plus possibly used for supplying camp fuel. However, these are speculative functions.

Feature 4: Depression measures approximately 4' in diameter, and possibly relates to a privy. The location of this depression to the northeast of the cabin, and the presence of milled lumber attached to a collapsed tree, is suggestive of a privy location. The depression shows no sign of being intentionally looted or vandalized, and thus there is potential for intact subsurface archaeological deposits.

Feature 5: Depression measures 8' long by 4' wide, and is located to the west of the main cabin. It is unclear what the function of this depression may be, but could be a trash disposal pit or an area the occupants acquired mud and soil for log cabin chinking.

Feature 6: Stacked wood measures approximately 10' long by 8' wide, and 2' high, and is comprised of horizontally stacked saw-cut logs at the end of the historic road. These logs likely represent intentionally abandoned timber products.

Feature 7: This historic road measures a maximum of 8' wide, and approximately 100' long. Some segments of the road appear to have been cut into the hill slope but nature has reclaimed significant portions of this road-bed. The road appears to continue to the north for another few hundred yards but became too difficult to determine its course. Road also connects to another cabin located 300' to the southwest. Several segments of the road have been adversely impacted by natural processes including erosion.

Artifacts (Miscellaneous Objects)

The site contains a general paucity of artifacts due to the rich organic understory that obscures much of the ground surface. There is a high potential for subsurface deposits in the two cabin and two depressions, and within the local area. Artifacts identified include sanitary food cans, condensed milk cans, a fish can, an amber beer bottle neck, a wood and metal bed frame, an expedient saw horse, and a steel fuel can. Bed frame measures roughly 6' long and 3' wide, and was constructed with an accordion-style iron mattress support (See Photo 31). Saw horse was made from a main log, measuring 4' long, nailed to four 2 ½' tall poles. The steel fuel can appear to be in 1940's style, and could be military surplus but is unclear. This could be a later addition to the site. Finally, the remaining artifacts are building related including steel hinges on both exterior doors, a wide variety of wire nails in the construction, roofing nails, lengths of bailing wire, cardboard wallpaper (not legible), and a single identified flat file used to hold chinking together within the main cabin. Steel hinge on exterior doorway is engraved with "STANLEY/SW/MADE IN USA", the "SW" is encircled by a heart, and dates to 1921-1922 and was produced by the Stanley Works Company.

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(cont'd) As the American railroad system expanded throughout the 1870s through 1910s, there was a significant need for a constant flow of cross-ties to both construct new track mileage but also to maintain the current system. Between the 1860s and 1940s, the North Slope of the Uinta Mountains likely supplied tens of millions of cross-ties to the Union Pacific, Oregon Short Line, Denver & Rio Grande, and other railways in the Intermountain West. The Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin reflects this peculiar logging industry during the second period of significance, 1912-1939, when Standard Timber Company based in Evanston, Wyoming dominated the North Slope tie cutting industry. This cabin was likely built by an employee of the Standard Timber Company during the 1920s logging activity on the Smith's Fork River, which coincided with the establishment of the Steel Creek Commissary, several miles upstream from the Doggy Door, in the mid-1920s. As such, this cabin conveys the history, individual experience, architectural style, and other facets of the significant tie cutting industry of the North Slope of the Uinta Mountains.

Under Criteria C, the Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin Site is the best-preserved example currently identified within the Multiple Property Submission. The cabin conveys the vernacular construction of log cabins to provide shelter for tie cutters during the second period of significance (1912-1950). It appears that this type of building, a single-pen cabin plan with entry on the gable end, with the ridgepoles and extending past the exterior wall to form a covered porch over the doorway. This appears to be a style of construction most common in the post-1920s period in the Rocky Mountain West, and the North Slope of the Uintas. As noted in Bomberger (2004:288), "[while] the entrance doorway to most earlier log houses was generally placed beneath the eaves, as a means of adapting to the greater snowfall in the Rockies, here the entrance was placed in the gable end, and sometimes protected from roof slides by a porch supported by two corner posts created by an extension of the roof beyond the gable wall." Historians have termed this type of building plan and form as a "Rocky Mountain Cabin", of which the Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin is a prime example. Further, the modification to the porch by enclosing it with half-round timbers is an uncommon adaptation. As such, this is the current best example of this common type of construction in the region that is still located within its original setting.

Building demonstrates the method of construction common to this period, but also contains some of the most evocative personal touches that relate to the original builder and occupant. Unique architectural flourishes include the hand-carved and shaped door latch on both the interior and exterior doors, shelving units within the covered porch and inside the main structure, inset shelving that appear almost like cabinetry, and the unique use of half-round timbers to cover the exterior porch. The dual doggy doors are a personal adaption to the presence of a canine in the household and convey a personal experience that is not readily available in historical documents. There are no other known examples of cabins within the tie cutting region that exhibit this doggy door modification.

Under Criteria D, the Doggy Door Cabin possesses the potential for significant subsurface deposits that could help to answer research questions about the local industry, regional patterns, and national and international patterns of trade and immigration. While there was limited visible archaeological material, there is a potential for subsurface deposits in the site's privy, and in the surrounding landscape. The area possesses a relatively rich organic accumulation that is obscuring ground visibility, thus any artifact

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scatters are likely hidden from visual inspection. Also, from some historic resources it appears that tie cutters buried or burned trash, further obscuring the cultural material's visibility. Unlike many other tie cutting cabin sites the high level of preservation of the architecture allows researchers to connect potential patterns in the material culture (ethnic, socio-economic, gender, family, etc.) to an architectural style and pattern. Many other tie cutter cabins from this period are heavily deteriorated to a point where the superstructure is difficult to interpret. Thus, there is potential to connect archaeological research questions for Criteria D, to help inform and interpret the architecture that makes the site eligible under Criteria C. This site possesses significant integrity of archaeological deposits as outlined in the MPDF.

The Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin reflects the most intact architectural remnant of the tie cutting industry of the North Slope of the Uinta Mountains. Cabin and associated features convey the significant history of the tie cutting industry through the simple, hand-made, log dwellings that typified the North Slope logging industry between the 1860s and 1930s, under Criteria A. More specifically, the cabin reflects the Rocky Mountain Cabin style which appears to have arrived in the local area in the 1920s, and served as the primary plan into the 1930s, and retains significant integrity under Criteria C. Finally, the site appears to have not been significantly disturbed by vandalism or development, and thus retains potential for intact subsurface deposits that directly relates to the occupants of the cabin during the area's second period of tie cutter significance.

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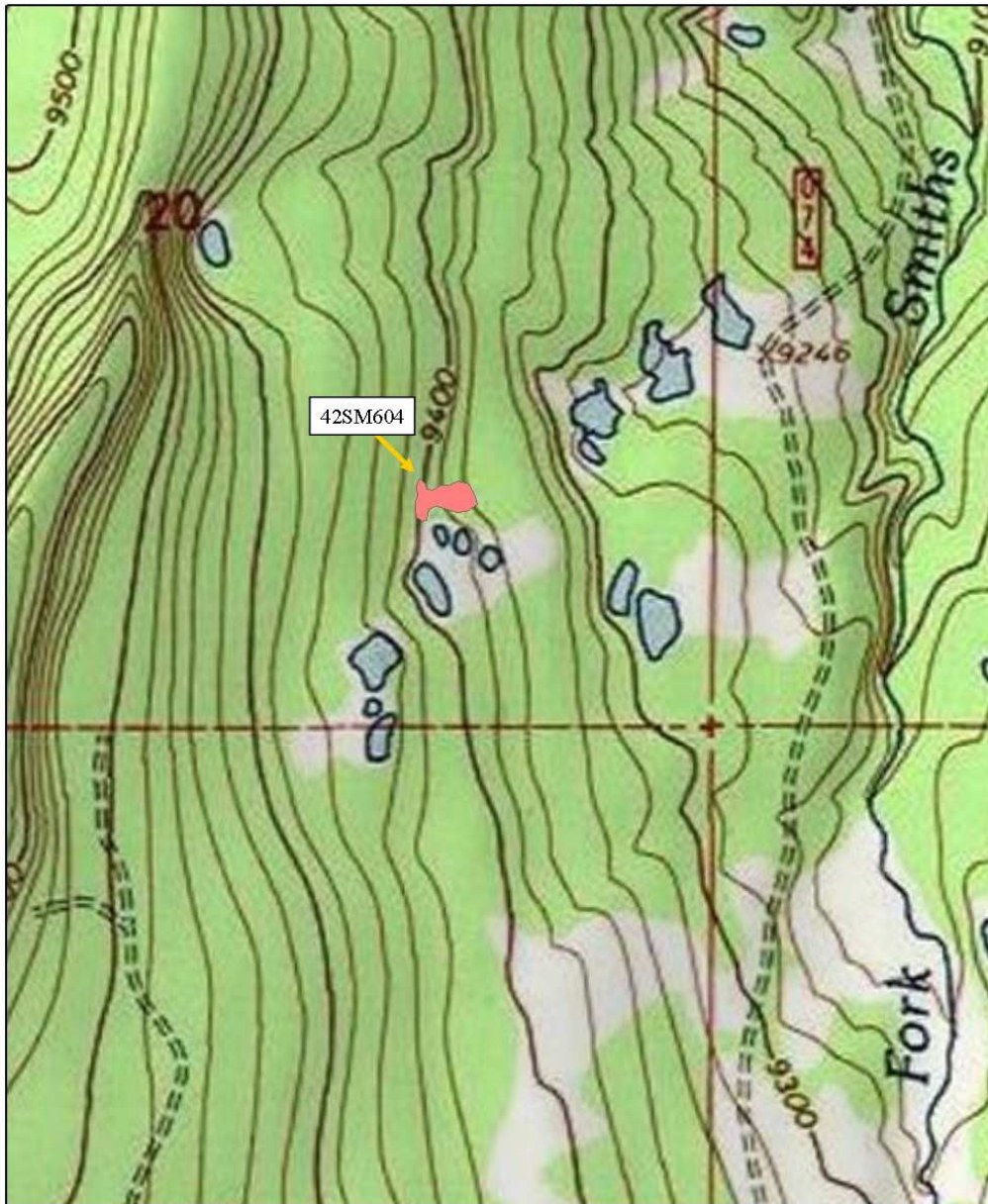
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Temp #: CM-12-1

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0 80 160 320 480 640 Meters

0 250 500 1,000 1,500 2,000 Feet



Bridge Lake 7.5' Quadrangle

Datum: NAD 1983

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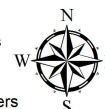
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Site Location

Date: 11/19/2013 Datum: NAD83, UTM Zone 12
Author: Chris Merritt

UTM Zone: 12 Easting: 542779 Northing: 4536238
Latitude: 40.976 Longitude: -110.491

Legend

-  Smiths Fork Road (NF-74)
-  Doggy Door Site Boundary



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- Doggy Door Site Location
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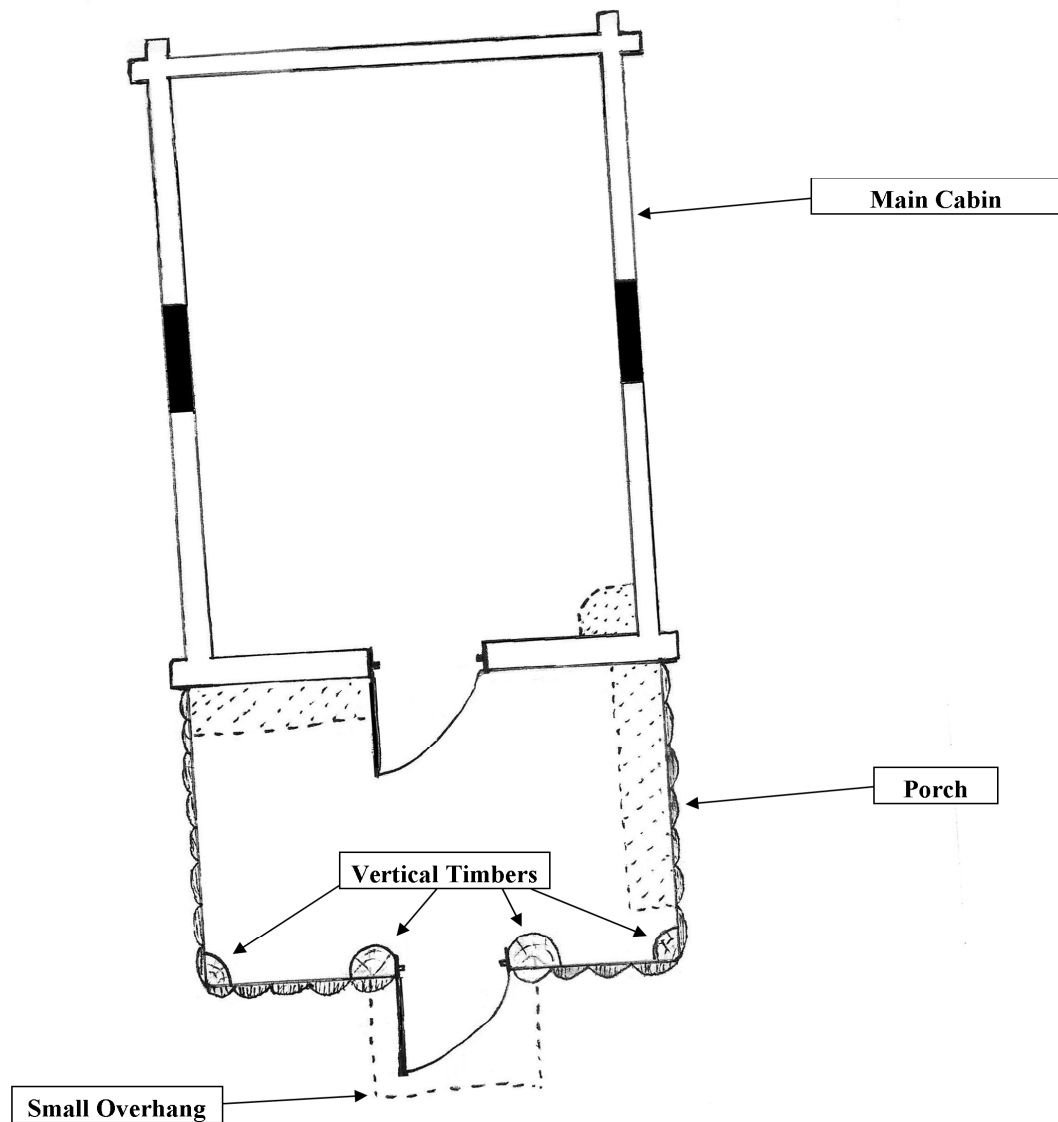
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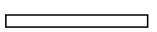
LEGEND

 **Lodgepole Logs**

 **Window**

 **Shelves**



1m 
3ft 



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Photo # 1 (Utah_Summit County_Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin_0001.tiff): Feature 1: South elevation, camera facing north.



Photo #2 (Utah_Summit County_Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin_0002.tiff): Feature 1: Overview of southwest corner, camera facing northeast.



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Photo #3 (Utah_Summit County_Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin_0003.tiff): West elevation, camera facing east.



Photo #4 (Utah_Summit County_Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin_0004.tiff): Feature 1: Overview of northwest corner, camera facing southeast.



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Photo #5 (Utah_Summit County_Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin_0005.tiff): Feature 1: North elevation, camera facing south.

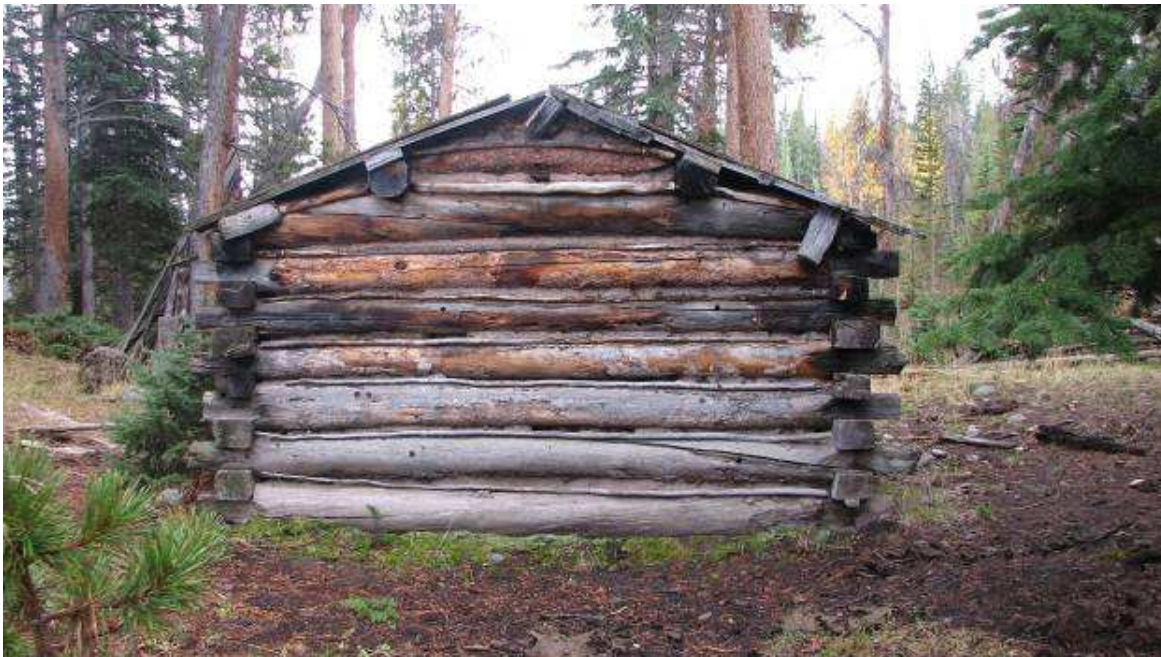
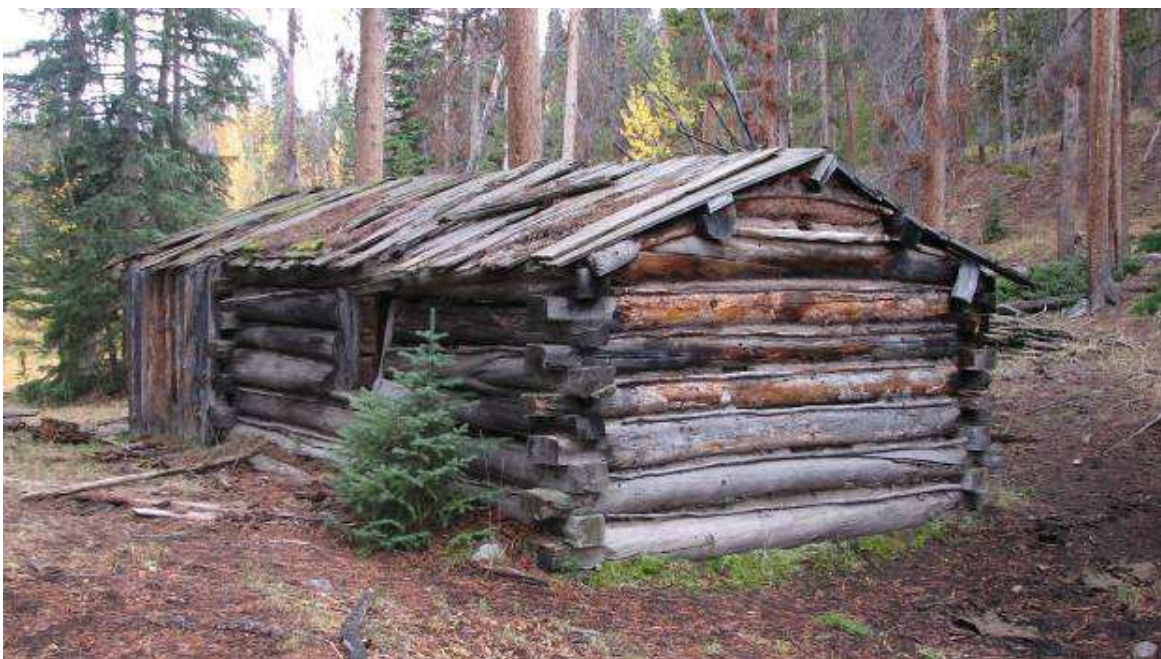


Photo #6 (Utah_Summit County_Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin_0006.tiff): Feature 1: Overview of northeast corner, camera facing southwest.



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Photo #7 (Utah_Summit County_Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin_0007.tiff): Feature 1: East elevation, facing west.



Photo #8 (Utah_Summit County_Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin_0008.tiff): Feature 1: Overview of southeast corner, facing northwest.



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Photo #9 (Utah_Summit County_Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin_0009.tiff): Feature 2: Overview of stacked poles, camera facing southwest.



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Photo #10 (Utah_Summit County_Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin_0010.tiff): Feature 2: Overview of stacked poles, camera facing northeast.



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Photo #11 (Utah_Summit County_Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin_0011.tiff): Feature 3: Overview of stacked logs and poles, camera facing south.



Photo #12 (Utah_Summit County_Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin_0012.tiff): Feature 3: Overview of stacked logs and poles, camera facing northeast.



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Photo #13 (Utah_Summit County_Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin_0013.tiff): Feature 4: Overview of possible privy, camera facing south.



Photo #14 (Utah_Summit County_Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin_0014.tiff): Feature 4: Overview of possible privy, camera facing northeast.



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Photo #15 (Utah_Summit County_Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin_0015.tiff): Feature 5: Overview of depression, camera facing south.



Photo #16 (Utah_Summit County_Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin_0016.tiff): Feature 6: Overview of stacked cordwood and logs, facing northwest.



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Photo #17 (Utah_Summit County_Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin_0017.tiff): Feature 7: Overview of historic road bed, facing south.



Photo #18 (Utah_Summit County_Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin_0018.tiff): Feature 1: Detail of hand-made door lock, exterior door.



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Photo #19 (Utah_Summit County_Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin_0019.tiff): Feature 1: Detail of porch extension.



Photo #20 (Utah_Summit County_Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin_0020.tiff): Feature 1: Detail of shelves in northeast corner of porch.



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Photo #21 (Utah_Summit County_Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin_0021.tiff): Feature 1: Detail of chinking within porch, exterior of main cabin.



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Photo #22 (Utah_Summit County_Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin_0022.tiff): Feature 1: Detail of interior door showing cardboard and doggy door.



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Photo #23 (Utah_Summit County_Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin_0023.tiff): Feature 1: Detail of exterior door, showing hand-made lock and doggy door.



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Photo #24 (Utah_Summit County_Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin_0024.tiff): Feature 1: Overview of main cabin interior, facing north.



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Photo #25 (Utah_Summit County_Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin_0025.tiff): Feature 1: Detail of flooring and subflooring within main cabin.



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Photo #26 (Utah_Summit County_Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin_0026.tiff): Feature 1: Detail of shelves in southeast corner of main cabin.



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Photo #27 (Utah_Summit County_Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin_0027.tiff): Feature 1: Detail of shelf bracket, west wall, main cabin.



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Photo #28 (Utah_Summit County_Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin_0028.tiff): Feature 1: Detail of north wall of main cabin, showing peg holes.



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Photo #29 (Utah_Summit County_Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin_0029.tiff): Feature 1: Detail of south wall, main cabin, showing gable construction.



Photo #30 (Utah_Summit County_Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin_0030.tiff): Feature 1: Detail of steel hinge, exterior door, "Stanley...Made in USA".



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Photo #31 (Utah_Summit County_Doggy Door Tie Cutter Cabin_0031.tiff): Detail of wood frame and metal component bed rack, camera facing east.

